Mountain Weather Forecast

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Wednesday 21 Jul 2021 until 23:59 on Thursday 22 Jul 2021

Forecast Issued on Tuesday 20 Jul 2021 at 14:58 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for hot dry sunny weather for the next few days, but low for extent of low cloud in the mornings and evenings. Confidence falls over the weekend.

Headline for Wednesday 21 Jul 2021: Low cloud early and late, otherwise hot dry and sunny.

Mountain weather hazards on Wednesday 21 Jul 2021

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy Snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
No Likelihood

Severe chill effect
No Likelihood

Poor visibility
No Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
High Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Partly cloudy (night)	Partly cloudy (night)	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Sunny	Sunny	Sunny	Partly cloudy (night)
Precipitation probability							
<05%	<05%	<05%	<05%	00%	00%	<05%	<05%

Forecast for Wednesday 21 Jul 2021

Weather: Low cloud across much of Caithness, Sutherland and Skye through the early hours will gradually burn back to the coasts in the morning, giving a hot, dry and sunny day. Low cloud will spread back into Caithness and the far northwest coast late evening and start of the night.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 80%.

Visibility: Generally good or very good, a slight haze across Caithness hills, but poor in any low cloud. Cloud bases around 400-500m early morning and late evening.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	8/10 SE	9/11 SE	8/10 NW	9/12 NW	7/10 W	8/12 NW	6/10 NW	4/6 N	6/7 E
900	7/9 SE	7/9 SE	7/9 NW	6/9 NW	6/10 W	8/12 NW	6/10 NW	4/6 N	5/6 E
600	3/5 SE	3/4 SE	3/5 N	4/7 NW	6/10 W	7/11 NW	6/10 NW	4/6 N	4/5 NE
300	3/7 E	1/4 SE	1/4 SE	1/5 SW	2/8 W	4/10 NW	4/7 NW	1/3 N	1/4 E
Glen	1/3 SE	1/2 SW	1/3 W	3/5 W	5/9 W	4/8 W	3/7 W	2/4 W	2/3 W

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	12/11	12/10	12/10	12/10	14/13	14/13	13/12	13/13	12/11
900	12/11	12/10	12/10	12/11	14/13	14/13	14/13	13/13	12/11
600	13/12	12/12	12/12	13/13	16/15	16/16	15/14	14/13	12/12
300	12/12	11/11	12/12	16/16	18/19	19/19	18/18	14/15	13/13
Glen	14/14	12/12	14/14	17/17	21/21	24/24	19/19	15/15	13/13
Freezing Level*	2900m	2900m	2900m	2700m	2700m	2600m	2700m	2700m	2600m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

Munro tops may be above the low cloud early morning and late evening. Glen temperatures in table indicative of ranges near the Great Glen, max temperature further north around 17 to 19 Celsius. Sun protection recommended.

Forecast for Thursday 22 Jul 2021

Weather: Patchy low cloud overnight and early morning, mainly across northern and eastern ranges. Cloud soon disperses to give another hot dry day with plenty of sunshine. Low cloud forming in the glens and on the lower slopes of the Caithness hills late evening.

Maximum wind: Light and variable.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 90%

Visibility: Very good, although poor in low cloud early morning and late evening. Cloud bases around 400-500m early morning and after dusk.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 12 Celsius rising to 26 Celsius near the Great Glen, 20 Celsius across northern ranges.
At 800m: Plus 12 Celsius rising to 17 Celsius
Freezing level: Above the summits.

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